

## PSALMS UNLEARNED LEAD TO BEATINGS

Boy, 12 Years Old, Gets \$1,500  
for Injuries in Christ  
Church School.

## WOMAN USED CANE OFTEN

Broke It on Him, He Testifies,  
Then Made Him Pay  
for It.

Charges that he had been beaten repeatedly by a woman school principal with a cane and a hair brush because he did not learn the Psalms, once receiving 150 strokes, were made before Supreme Court Justice Ford yesterday in a suit for \$15,000 damages brought by Malcolm Irvine Honey, 12 years old, grandson of the Rev. Ingram N. W. Irvine, rector of the English department of St. Mary's College, a Greek Catholic institution, in East New York.

The defendants named by the boy were Mabel Frances Elder, head of Christ Church School at Kingston, N. Y., and the Rev. Jacob Morris Coert, rector of the school. The suit, containing allegations that the younger was chastised so severely that he had to undergo an operation, was brought in the name of his mother, Mrs. Anna Irvine Chapin.

According to the testimony in court yesterday Dr. Irvine's grandson had been at the school about two months when the first serious punishment was alleged to have been administered. The boy, who was the only witness, testified that in November, 1914, Miss Elder struck him on the legs with a thick cane, which, he said, she used in mountain climbing. She broke the cane over him, he said, and then informed him that he would have to pay for the cane out of his pocket money. He did not get any allowance for a year, he added.

"In December," continued the boy, "when I hadn't used a toothbrush one day, she hit me ten times with a dog whip and raised great big welts on my back. On the Saturday after Easter, 1915, she put me over the edge of a bathtub and held me so that I could not move by putting her knee in the small of my back. Then she struck me everywhere with an ivory handled hairbrush. She had an awful temper and that night, she was angry with us all. I had a bump on my head and marks on my face where she beat me."

The following month, the boy said, Miss Elder placed him over the bathtub again and belabored him 120 times, one blow for every psalm that he had failed to learn. He protested that he had tried to learn the verses, but "couldn't get them into his head." In the final beating, which occurred when he did not memorize the psalms, he said the principal forced him over the edge of a bed and hit him 150 strokes with a hairbrush.

"My stomach and my back where she pressed me with her knee," he testified, "ached for a long while until I went to the hospital. I was operated on for stomach trouble by Dr. Ryall and stayed there a month."

The jury returned a verdict of \$1,500 in the boy's favor.

## IMMIGRATION BARS REMOVED BY SONG

Italian Wins Special Board of  
Inquiry With Aria From  
"La Tosca."

BOSTON, Jan. 25.—Domenico Pacifico, 30 years old, sang his way into the country today. When he arrived recently in the steamer of the Great Eastern, he was held up by the immigration officials, who because of his imperfect physical condition doubted the ability of the newcomer to make his way in the United States.

"But I can if you give me a chance," said Pacifico. "I am an opera singer." "Sing then," challenged an inspector. Then before the Board of Special Inquiry the Italian struck up an aria from "La Tosca," while a stenographer responsible for a record of all verbal exchanges between the board and applicants for admission sketched the bars and notes on a pad. The song ended, applause echoed through Commonwealth Pier and the board of inquiry unanimously voted that with such a voice it was not likely Pacifico would become a public charge.

The Italian said he would go to Philadelphia to join a brother, Giulio Mandolfa, a priest.

## METROPOLITAN'S BIG YEAR.

Sets Life Insurance Record by  
Writing \$500,000,000.

A convention of nearly 700 managers of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company from all parts of the United States and Canada opened a three days business session yesterday at the home office, 1 Madison avenue. It was announced that the directors had elected James E. Kavanagh to be a fourth vice-president and Dr. Chauncey R. Burr of Portland, Me., to be assistant medical director.

The company, according to a report read by Vice-President Bailey Fiske, wrote a greater amount of business last year than any other concern has handled in a similar period. The amount was \$585,546,528. After paying \$10,434,467 in dividends there remained a surplus to policy holders of \$28,167,511. The outstanding insurance is \$3,482,431,996.

## EDGE NAMES PRISON BOARD.

Jersey Governor Also Appoints  
Living Cost Commission.

TRENTON, Jan. 25.—Gov. Edge announced today the appointment of the complete commission authorized by the Legislature to aid him in investigating conditions at the State prison. The appointees are: William B. Dickson of Montclair, formerly vice-president of the United States Steel Corporation; Dwight W. Morrow, a lawyer of Englewood, who assisted in the New York prison investigation; John P. Murray of Jersey City, a member of the State Board of Education; Seymour L. Cromwell of Bernardsville, president of the State Charities Aid and Prison Reform Association; and Henry F. Hill, secretary of the State Federation of Labor.

The commission will meet with the Governor next Saturday to organize and determine the scope of the inquiry. The Governor is planning to name as soon as possible a commission to investigate the high cost of living. He proposes to appoint one representative of agricultural interests, one familiar with marketing conditions, one familiar with the fish industry and two business men, one an expert on transportation.

Commissioner Woods on Vacation. Police Commissioner Woods, accompanied by his wife, left yesterday for a two weeks trip through Florida. The Commissioner has not been in the post of health for a month or more and Dr. Edward C. Wood, chief surgeon of the department, suggested a rest. Gov. Edge, last night, ordered the acting Commissioner in his stead.

## HOTEL THIEF STEALS CASH FOR WAR BLIND

Wooden Box With Donations  
Taken From St. Regis, but  
Dropped by Robber.

The Hotel Men's Association intends to send out circulars asking hotel clerks to look out for a modestly dressed man who, it is believed, is casting envious eyes on small wooden boxes for the reception of money with which to buy glass eyes for blind soldiers in Europe. The man would have succeeded in getting away with the box in the St. Regis Hotel early Wednesday morning had not Samuel Adams, the clerk, done some quick thinking.

The stranger dropped into the St. Regis at 1 o'clock and said he proposed to take a room as soon as a friend arrived. He talked on various subjects and then suddenly disappeared as Mr. Adams turned his back. The clerk noticed that the box—the property of the Permanent Blind Relief War Fund for Soldiers and Sailors—which stood on the desk was missing also.

Adams jumped at conclusions and also over the desk. He ran into Fifty-fifth street, saw a man going east on a dog trot, and blew a police whistle. The man dropped the box, coins raining to the sidewalk, and the dog trot became a canter. At Madison avenue the hurrying one jumped aboard a southbound car and got away. Adams and other hotel employees picked up the scattered coins.

Carl Walker, night manager of the Vanderbilt Hotel, said somebody recently cut the top of the "blind box" in that hotel and abstracted some coins. The box is kept behind the clerk's cage, outside the reach of mean creatures who would rob sightless soldiers.

At the St. Regis, it is said, nightly donations to the fund by hotel guests aggregate between \$40 and \$60. Frank A. Vanderbilt is honorary treasurer of the fund.

## LESLIE \$500,000 IS GIVEN SUFFRAGISTS

Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt  
Awarded Half the Bequest  
of Baroness de Bazar.

The cause of woman suffrage came in yesterday for half of the expected \$1,000,000 from the estate of Mrs. Frank Leslie (the Baroness de Bazar) for which the supporters of women's rights have been waiting patiently during long litigation. Surrogate Cholan signed an order directing the executors of the Leslie estate to pay to Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt \$500,000 on account.

Suffragists remember, others may have forgotten, that at her death, on September 19, 1914, Mrs. Leslie left her residuary estate to her friend to be used in furthering the woman's movement. The residue was believed to be about \$1,000,000, but owing to numerous contests the suffragists have had to defer for more than two years their hopes of receiving any part of it.

Mrs. Catt, through her counsel, Horace P. Parker, made the petition for the order on the executors, who are William Nelson Cromwell and Louis H. Cramer, out of Mrs. Leslie's estate, valued at \$1,748,550. Mrs. Catt said she believed "that there is considerably upward of \$1,000,000 which can be immediately paid to cover all the provisions under the will and give to your petitioner in addition thereto the sum of \$500,000, after providing for all assignments and all persons entitled to any part of said estate."

By the order the executors are also directed to pay to two other beneficiaries, Raymond Pollin, nephew of the testator, and Mrs. Carrie H. Wrenn, niece, \$100,000 and \$50,000 respectively on assignments made to them by Mrs. Catt which were recently upheld in the report of Referee Brown.

## COL. JENNINGS AUBURN HEAD.

Third Regiment Leader Named  
Warden When Battigan Quits.

ALBANY, Jan. 25.—The appointment of Col. Edgar S. Jennings of Auburn as warden of Auburn prison was announced by Superintendent of Prisons James M. Carter to-day immediately after the receipt of the resignation of Warden Charles F. Battigan.

Col. Jennings is commander of the Third Infantry Regiment of the National Guard. He is a Republican, but has never been active in politics. He served for a time as police commissioner of Auburn. This experience, together with his business training and his association with men as a soldier, fits him, in the opinion of the prison superintendent, for the duties of warden, which he will assume February 15.

His appointment was urged, it was stated at the prison department, by many of the most prominent men in the central and western parts of the State, including merchants, manufacturers, representatives of the various professions and high officers of the National Guard.

## THAW'S MIND "STILL CLOUDY."

Philadelphia Police Surgeon Finds  
Him in Mental Haze.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 25.—Harry K. Thaw, who is in a hospital here slowly recovering from self-inflicted wounds, was examined to-day by Dr. John Wanamaker 3d, a police surgeon.

Dr. Wanamaker said he had found the patient's mental condition "still cloudy" and that it was difficult to say when this "haze" would clear up. Loss of blood was responsible for Thaw's present state.

Eugene Beecher in Hospital.

With a fractured skull Eugene Beecher, nephew of the noted preacher, Henry Ward Beecher, is in the Swedish Hospital, Brooklyn. His condition was said last night to be very serious. Mr. Beecher was struck by an Ocean Avenue trolley car at Fulton street and New York avenue. He lives with his wife in 52 McDonough street.

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## CORNUCOPIAS OF PLENTY

Real Butter at 45 Cents and 60  
Cent Tea Among the Items  
Utilized.

There was much merriment over at the Cafe de Diet last night. All the thirteen police recruits rushed through their beef pot roast embellished with carrots and onions, hurried home and into their "cit clothes" and then punched the little door bell at "her" house. And by 3 o'clock thirteen different scents of perfumes were mingling with the laughter of women at the calory carnival with its music and dancing wax on the floor and everything.

Hannibal was all dressed up in a bright new white outfit and twenty-seven of his teeth flashed a welcome. Hannibal had started his preparations for the big party on the previous evening, so when it came time to serve he had nothing to do but let the pride in his art run wild and free.

"My boys," said Hannibal, using the possessive pronoun without a quiver, "well, my boys say to me last night: 'Mistah Parsons, you got carter blanke on this heah repeat.' But I keeps her down; I says to mysef 'they didn't mean what they said 'bout my corn pone and hash. So I'll keep 'er down.'"

Hannibal did fairly well, with a fine large bowl of punch and peanut drop cakes at a cost of three cents a head.

## "It's City Doods They Are."

Attracted by the sound of the revelry last night, one of the city's genial "three stripes" peeked in, took one long look and then turned away in wonderful disgust. "May the devil take me if it ain't some more of them 'ere fangled things in the papers," he remarked. "Here these young fellows do be gettin' their meals free and for nothing. Then they give 'em a lot of somethin' 'er other they calls calory or such—all fixed up by a darky cook. Ugh! Just as if their own mothers wasn't good enough. And now, strike me dead in me tracks, if they ain't dancin' and sippin' punch and generally girlin'. It ain't policemen they are—it's city doods."

Other criticisms are also falling thick and fast about the troubled heads of the diet managers. T. De Quincey Tully, secretary of the Law Enforcement Society, for instance, wants Police Commissioner Woods to understand that after all 25 cents is a lot of money to blow in each day on the single item of food.

## Brooklyn Holds the Palm.

T. De Quincey Tully says he knows a Brooklyn couple—whom, of course, explains a good deal—who have lived one whole year on an average cost of 18.8 cents a day. "These friends of mine," he announces, "have given a demonstration that makes the far famed police diet squad look like a bunch of amateurs. They have been keeping a strict and accurate food record for the past ten years, and in 1916, which is unusual on account of the high prices, they have averaged exactly 18.8 cents a day. And understand that good food was bought; for example, they paid 45 cents for butter and 60 cents a pound for tea."

"The possibility of even the hard working police boys being well fed at a cost of less than the 25 cents a day was answered yesterday by Prof. Mary S. Rose of Teachers' College, who as dietitian has mapped out the menus for the squad. At luncheon Prof. Rose said: 'If necessary we could reduce the price of the meals below the present standard of 25 cents a day, but the men are now getting the proper amount and the proper kind of nourishment and there is no reason for making a change.'"

The police likewise saw no reason for coming down to 18.8 cents a day when the matter was suggested to them last night. "We want our 3,000 calories," was the watchword passed from rookie to rookie.

McClary, the publicity director, is to be in Washington to-day loaded down with imitation butter and menus for the White House. Besides the President, Mr. Tumulty and Secretary of Agriculture Houston each get a pound cake of the butter substitute. Mrs. McClary is determined to stop at no limits in order to get the President to economize.

## The Lord & Taylor

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